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Students pay and walk into the new Bearcat Commons dining area during the first day of classes Mon., August 26. Students have had mixed thoughts on the \$8.5 million renovation. The updates included the addition of Chick-Fil-A, Einstein Bros. Bagels, Red Mango, Starbucks and a new all-you-can-eat style cafeteria.

Campus dining options, changes revealed

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Senior Megan Caswell walked through the doors of the newly named Bearcat Commons. Stunned by the upgraded, sleek layout, she paid, scanned the lines and options available and eventually settled for a salad and fruit.

After making it through her first go-around feeling lost, she found friends, sat down and enjoyed lunch like she would have any day last year.

"It's very different. The remodeling looks more high-class and modern, and I like the seating," Caswell said.

After 18 months of planning, 16 weeks of construction and nearly \$8.5 million spent, the all-new

campus dining experience is open for business at the J.W. Jones Student Union.

Matt Baker, vice president of Student Affairs, said the main goal was to provide access and flexibility to students.

"One of the things we wanted to drive was high value and high variety. Those were some of our guiding principles when we went through what our dining program should look like," Baker said.

The remodeled Student Union has brighter lighting, fresh colors, sparkling tiled columns and stainless steel finishing. The dining hall has been completely remodeled, from the color of paint on the walls to the flooring to the furniture.

The campus dining hall, which hadn't been updated for 13 years, is designed to offer value, variety

and convenience. All the updates to campus dining cost the University \$8.5 million.

"The whole new model is funded by the money we will make through our food service sales over the next five years," Baker said. "We signed a five-year contract with a one five-year renewal. We've committed to five years under this contract, and if it's going well, we can renew another five."

There are several different meal plans to cater to every student's lifestyle: the 5-Day Plan, the Silver Plan, the Gold Plan and the Platinum Plan.

The 5-Day Plan was created for students who don't stay on campus during the weekends. For \$1,347 per semester, this plan allows students to eat in the dining hall Monday through Friday. The Silver Plan is

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Nodaway Court seeks security re-evaluation

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Security at the Nodaway County Courthouse is being re-evaluated following an incident in the courtroom this summer. Security measures are being questioned after a man ingested a cyanide pill he snuck in with nobody knowing.

Steve Parsons, 48, had just been convicted of sodomy when, prior to sentencing, he took justice into his own hands. Parsons swallowed a cyanide pill and ended his life in front of his 14-year-old victim in the Nodaway County courtroom.

On June 27, the jury found Parsons not guilty of forcible sodomy, but read a guilty verdict of statutory sodomy. Moments later, Parsons fell to the floor and began convulsing in the crowded courtroom.

He was transported by ambulance to St. Francis Hospital, but as his condition worsened, it was decided that he needed to be moved to Heartland Hospital in St. Joseph. Parsons died en route.

An autopsy revealed that Parsons ingested a cyanide capsule he had smuggled into the courtroom.

"He had not been in custody at the time of his trial (and) was out on bond," said Darren White, Nodaway County sheriff.

This allowed Parsons to purchase the cyanide pill that he used to commit suicide. White was in the courtroom at the time of Parsons' suicide. Immediately following the incident, focus shifted to courtroom and community safety.

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Road work setback brings inconvenience to residents

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For Maryville residents living on South Munn Avenue, a peek out of the window reveals undrivable, torn-to-bits asphalt where the street used to be.

Residents said South Munn desperately needed repair. Potholes and cracks littered the pavement, causing dangerous driving conditions. What was supposed to be a standard repavement project completed in three phases has turned into a nightmare for Munn Avenue residents.

"Everybody wants improvement, but nobody wants to put up with the inconvenience of those improvements," said Darren White, Nodaway County sheriff.

The project was to consist of three phases, running from March to October. The construction progress was impeded by the amount of moisture in the soil caused by heavy precipitation.

The first phase, scheduled to be completed by May, was ultimately delayed. Northern access to South Munn was reopened Aug. 15, just in time for the Maryville High School's first day of classes.

Crews were forced to reallocate workers to start phase three before phase two had been completed to ensure timely completion of the project.

As of Aug. 22, the street in front of Munn Avenue resident Linda Cross' home was only flattened dirt and gravel.

"This is the first day I've been able to drive up," Cross said. Previously, she had been parking in the

VIDEO



Find more on Munn Ave. road work



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What was supposed to be a simple repair to South Munn Avenue has become a hassle for nearby residents. Those living on South Munn have been unable to drive on the road since March.

Maryville High School lot, about 200 yards away.

The south half of South Munn remains closed as workers try to finish the final phase by Oct. 15. Consequently, access to the high school is down to one point. This causes safety concerns for the high school in case of an emergency.

"As far as a plan of action, you're limited by your access," White said.

Maryville High School Principal Jason Eggers downplayed the security risk.

"There's always been access to the school," Eggers said. "In case of emergency, I could see there's

multiple access points to this school that aren't necessarily roads but in emergency situations can be accessed."

It may be inconvenient and frustrating for everyone involved, but South Munn was in desperate need of repair. The unfortunate circumstances and delays will continue to be a sour overtone to an otherwise much-needed restoration project.

Cross may have said it best: "There's no one you could find to be responsible for all of it; it's just an unfortunate mess."

'Dream Season' receives Emmy nomination

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Two years ago, the home sideline at Bearcat Stadium was graced by players who played with passion, a coach with a community watching him and two silent alumni viewing the whole thing through the lens of a camera.

Katie Denison and Eric Zornes were behind that lens, capturing "Dream Season," a documentary that has been nominated for a regional Emmy.

The movie gives a behind-the-scenes look at the Bearcat's season,

from preseason practices to the miraculous overtime victory against Midwestern State to the tough loss in the Fall Classic and the even tougher loss of beloved head coach Scott Bostwick. Denison and Zornes focused on three senior players- Josh Lorenson, Jake Soy and Aaron Terry-, as well as Bostwick's family and people with ties to the football community.

"Dream Season" tells the story of a football team and community reeling from the loss of a Northwest fixture on the sidelines.

Denison and Zornes were both a part of the campus television station, KNWT, and following graduation,

formed Mile Marker 8 Productions in 2009.

In July of 2011, Denison and Zornes felt they had a story to tell after the death of head coach Bostwick. The two traveled to Maryville to pitch the idea to head coach Adam Dorrel.

"It was an emotional and hard time, and we didn't expect him to be open to it, but I think he saw we were trying to provide something good," Denison said. "We knew it was going to be a really hard and emotional season for not just the team, but for the community as well."

And thus, Dream Season was born.

"It was Scott's dream to be the head coach for the Bearcats," Denison said. "In a certain way, that year was a dream for (everybody we followed) as well."

Denison and Zornes found out about "Dream Season's": nomination Aug. 6.

"It really was a shock. We didn't know what we were doing going into filming," Zornes said. "It has been an honor."

"Dream Season" is up against four other films in the Cultural Documentary category. Awards will be presented at the 37th Mid-America Emmy Gala Oct. 5 in St. Louis.



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Student Senate President Cody Uhing is a part of two test groups for the HP ElitePad. Information Technology is looking to expand the campus’ technology with helpful feedback and a possible switch from standard notebooks to tablets.

Tablets begin testing

University seeks feedback on updating technology for students

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This year Northwest will test replacing laptops with tablets on two select groups of students.

Freshman honors students and Student Senate have the opportunity to pilot tablets this year in hopes of discovering if this technology is the future of student connectivity on campus.

Roger Von Holzen, vice president of Information Technology, spent nearly a year discussing possibilities with administration and Merlin Miller, manager at client computing. The HP ElitePad was chosen for reasons such as software compatibility, convenience and maintenance.

“It has fully functioning Office software and is like a full functioning notebook computer running Windows 8. With this, it should handle most software we can use,” Von Holzen said. The HP tablet comes with a detachable keyboard and two USB ports.

Since Student Senate members are upperclassmen, most of them already have a notebook computer and are encouraged to try to rely on the tablet for their work and everyday activities.

Student Senate President Cody Uhing appears optimistic about the piloting program.

“It’s got everything a Window’s computer has, just in tablet form,” Uhing said. “In my opinion, I think students will like the tablets because they’re small, portable and they work well, but it’ll take getting used to.”

These students will use the tablet for the entire year. If any students participating decide the tablet is not enough, they can return the tablet and will be issued a notebook computer. If it seems the tablets will not be a success, Von Holzen said the University will look into other tablet options.

“We know we want a Windows device because we’re an Office campus,” Von Holzen said.

If the piloting is successful, Information Technology will give a proposal to Student Senate.

“If it gets accepted, we’ll have it in place by next August. Next August we could be issuing 7,000 tablets instead of notebook computers,” Von Holzen said.

Dieterich closed for year

Officials site reason for dorm closure; efficiency, enrollment, improvments

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The self-proclaimed “Dirty D” is not housing 294 freshmen on its seven floors this year. Instead, Dieterich Hall will close for the year and receive some necessary updates.

Over the past two years, enrollment has fallen due to a decline in graduating high schoolers. In 2012, enrollment shrank by nearly 500 students. In the coming weeks, the university will release the new census, and according to Provost Doug Dunham, there appears to have been another declined.

“We made the decision between October and December, and it has been our agenda for over a year,” said Matt Baker, vice president of Student Affairs. “We just don’t need the space (at

this time).”

The decision will help keep the university efficient. By eliminating one whole building, Northwest can be more sustainable as opposed to closing a few floors in each building to get the same effect.

“We are operating much more efficiently because we can cut out lights, reduce air conditioning and have moved staff between buildings,” Baker said. “Between the floors we had closed in other buildings, we have the same number of vacant floors this year. This way is just more efficient.”

In the meantime, the University will have maintenance crews doing cosmetic improvements to the residence hall.

“We are about to finalize a budget and decide on the improvements in the coming weeks,” Baker said. “I imagine we will paint the entire facility and replace the carpets.”

He said they would also try to replace furniture if the budget allows.

Buddy program connects students across foreign boundaries

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A new program works to ease the transition for international students attending Northwest and broaden horizons for traditional students.

With more than 300 international students attending Northwest, students have access to an underused opportunity through Friends of International Students to “create cultural connections,” said Jennifer Kennymore, health educator and program participant.

“It’s a program where we match up international students from all countries of the world – Japan, Finland, Mexico, France – with community members,” Kennymore said.

In the past, a majority of participants, called “friends” within the program, have been individuals and families in the community and Northwest faculty and staff. Previ-

ous participant Aya Tanahashi enjoyed time with her FIS family, but wishes more students would have been involved.

“I would have liked for a student to show me around,” Tanahashi said.

Friends are not required to pay a fee to join the program and are asked to connect with their international students at least once a month. Joining the program requires filling out an interest inventory in order to better match friends with the international students.

Once students are established as friends, they are contacted at the beginning of the semester to find out if they are still interested. The FIS program tries to make being a member as easy as possible, Kennymore said, since the board understands students’ schedules vary and can become busy.

Like Tanahashi, Kennymore wants more Northwest students

to participate. She encourages students to get involved for several reasons.

“It’s such a great opportunity for students to connect and learn about a new culture,” she said. “It’s really up to the individuals. Finances are not an excuse . . . it can be really simple: activities on campus, football games or other sporting events or making them an American meal in your house.”

Other possible activities include Student Activities Council events, walking around Maryville, taking a trip to Mozingo or attending the social events put together by the FIS board.

“I think there are simple, affordable ways you can still introduce the international students to our culture,” Kennymore said. “You never know, you might be able to go to South Korea or Finland or wherever your friend is from, and then they could show you around some day.”

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A \$1.25 million gift given to the University will go directly toward improving the learning environment at Northwest in the coming years.

The unrestricted donation will be given to scholarship endowments for the 2014-2015 school year as well as support for the new Teaching and Learning Center on campus. The Teaching and Learning Center will

provide tutoring, mentoring, and focus on student retention through graduation.

"The ability to support student achievement upholds the legacy of the donor and meets the needs of this institution," said Mike Johnson, vice president of the University Advancement Office. "The individual entrusted the leadership of this University to allow for the money to go to work where the needs are greatest."

The donor, who was a student

advocate and a former member of the Northwest Foundation, recently passed away and requested anonymity as a condition of this gift. However, the University anticipates the identity of the individual will be revealed in due time as more gifts are received.

"There is more to come in dollars received as well as in the story of this individual, but we want to be respectful and sensitive of the donor's wishes."

The University has received as much as \$10 million from anonymous donors in the past; however, this donation came with no restrictions and is to be used as soon as Northwest sees fit, although Northwest has suggested towards academic programs and the classroom environment.

While the University is very early in the process of dividing up this money, it is certain that all of it will go to supporting academics at the University in some way.



New smartphone application teaches students how to react in emergencies.

App provides vital safety information

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When disaster strikes, orderly lines and lighted arrows pointing out a safe exit are lost in the mayhem and panic that usually accompanies a crisis. A new smartphone application, "In Case of Crisis," can help prepare students before that disaster occurs.

"That's what we've been promoting this summer," Police Chief Clarence Green said about the app. "It has all the emergency expectations (for emergencies) that we foresee that's within our emergency operations plan. It's what we really push out to the public . . . it has all the emergency procedures and expectations that law enforcement and emergency responders have for the public."

The app covers incidents such as fire, inclement weather, fights or civil disturbances, hostile intruders and several others.

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Time is money. This might very well be the case for some, but for others, especially farmers, water is money.

Many people, especially farmers, struggled with the staggering drought from the summer of 2012. Although the fields of Missouri are still hot and dry, things appear to be looking up for most agricultural communities.

"This year the crops look better,"

Maryville farmer Tim Conover said. "The ears on the corn filled out more. There seems to be more pods forming on the soybean plants. The heat we're going to have [this week] may change that. But overall, we have a better crop than we did last year."

Not only does Conover grow corn and soybeans, he also manages a cow/calf operation and puts up 3,500 bales of hay. Conover is one of many rural farmers who have seen an improvement from last year's lack of moisture.

At this point last year, ponds were dry, and some farmers had begun using hay for feed – not the best situation for the end of August. This year, Conover has yet to start feeding his stock hay, but the ground is still hot and dry, oddly the opposite of last year's drought.

Unlike Conover, some landowners who planted more than 300 acres might have had a bit of trouble with rains early in the season. According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), corn and

soybean yields are higher than estimated, resulting in lower prices than in the past. However, there have been some damages, especially to soybeans, from early precipitation.

As of now, it's seems odd that too much rain would be an issue.

"We have adequate topsoil moisture. It's the deeper moisture we're still lacking. (In terms of the drought,) we're not out of it by any means," Conover said.

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Ever wonder what professors do when they leave the University? Do they lock themselves in the house, or gamble on the weekends in Vegas? Eric Dickey, Northwest professor of modern languages, spends his free time running Senor Burrito, a Mexican restaurant on First and Main Street in Maryville.

The restaurant, which is often compared to the franchise Chipotle, has a variety of menu items and offers homemade, authentic food. Customers are able to walk in and build their own meals and combos, similar to compiling a sandwich at Subway. They're able to choose from fresh

meat, sauces and sides made right in the restaurant.

These products are made by Dickey's wife Monica and other Senor Burrito employees. Monica, a previous employee at Papichulo's, saw potential for success in the community with the right management and good food.

The staff has been looking into different advertising options, adding new menu items, and sharing to-go menus with their customers – something every student finds handy during late-night study sessions.

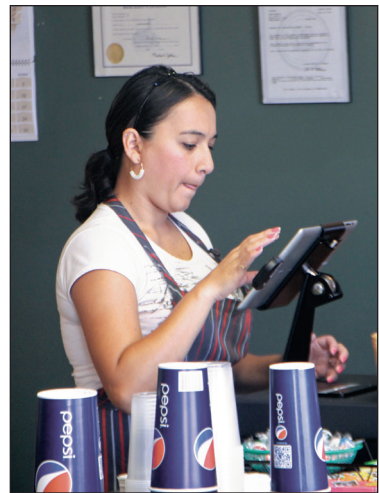
Senor Burrito's menu features ideas for all ages, including a kid's menu and daily lunch specials. Special's range from \$4.50 quesadillas to \$4.99 burrito's and nachos. The kid's

menu features items like mini nachos, a mini quesadilla, tacos, chicken nuggets, and chicken nuggets.

With the new business opening this summer, the Dickey's tested different hours of operation with weekend evenings. Senor Burrito will be open everyday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and will be closed for business on Sundays.

However, starting a business is no easy task. The Dickeyes do their best to balance their family life and time at the restaurant. Sundays in the Dickey household are reserved for family, which is reason for the business being closed.

"We're not here to become millionaires off of this business, but I hope we have success," Eric said.



Monica Dickey, co-owner of Señor Burrito, has brought expertise to Maryville's newest restaurant.

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CAMPUS TALK

What are your thoughts on the changes in campus dining?



"It's really growing on me. The quality of the food is better, and I like that you can go in until 1 a.m."

Bekah Schmidt
Senior
Child and Family Studies



"During lunchtime it is a little busy, but I do like the fact that you can just swipe once and eat as much as you want."

Brandon Travis
Sophomore
Broadcast Production



"I feel like the selection could have been better, and I wish all the changes were explained better."

Keyerra Johnson
Junior
Elementary Education



"I like that we have the ability to have more food in one sitting; however there could be a better system with lines and portions."

Taylor Hill-Zweifel
Senior
Elementary Education



"I feel like a freshman because everything is so different. I do miss the Papa John's in the Union though."

Tyler Zimmerman
Senior
Social Science Education



CODY SIMMONS | NW MISSOURIAN

The second floor of the J.W. Jones Student Union is one of the many places on campus that have been revamped over summer break. New additions to the second floor include Chick-Fil-A, Zen Japanese Cuisine, Einstein Bros. Bagels and Red Mango.

OUR VIEW:
Looks aren't everything for Aramark

We here at The Northwest Missourian were just as excited as everyone else when we heard about the new additions to campus dining last spring. With the new Starbucks at the B.D. Owens Library and the Chick-Fil-A in the J.W. Jones Student Union, there was something for everyone to look forward to before returning to school. When the renovations were finally completed and open for the public to view, we were impressed with the aesthetics and atmosphere of the revamped Union.

There is more seating on the second floor, a more modern-looking cafeteria and, in general, a better environment for students to dine and socialize. Despite how great everything looks, the functionality of the cafeteria and the new meal plan raise some questions.

One issue many students raise

is hanging out in the cafeteria when they aren't eating. Before the changes, students met with friends in the first floor of the Union not just to eat, but to converse and work with others. It was also a popular place for students to advertise clubs or causes as students walked in to get food. Now students are not allowed to enter the cafeteria without paying for a meal, and all information desks have been moved upstairs. This change robs students, who may have a short break between classes, of the ability to stop by and catch up with friends who are eating at the Union.

There has also been a lot of confusion as to which meal plans can be used at certain locations on campus. There are many different meal plans for residents and commuters, as well as options such as block plans and flex dollars. For example, commuter

students' block plans don't include vending machines or the restaurants on the second floor of the Union.

This could be a huge deal for some students who visit the vending machines on campus almost religiously and can't afford to purchase flex dollars on top of their meal plan..

Overall, the renovations and changes were a welcoming sight and added a certain aesthetic appeal to the Union as well as other newly-renovated areas on campus. However, Aramark and the University could do a better job explaining the complicated meal plans to new and returning students. We realize this is a trial year in many aspects, and we anticipate that the University will listen and adjust when reasonable complaints are brought forward.

US should exercise caution when making policy decisions on Syria

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The videos of a possible chemical weapons attack in Syria kept rolling in last week, depicting hundreds in screaming, agonizing pain. Even the most hardened war veteran would cringe seeing innocent civilians subject to such an atrocious attack, an attack reportedly instigated by their own government.

In the midst of this utter destruction, President Barack Obama has to decide whether to get the U.S. involved in a bloody civil war or let more Syrians die. Intervening in Syria may seem like our moral obligation; however, the U.S. should be wary of getting involved in yet another hostile conflict in the Middle East.

The U.S. has often thought of itself as the police of the world, sweeping into a region to serve what we believe to be the best interests of the international community. Even today we have troops in countries all over the world, many of which would surprise many. For example, there are over 47,000 troops stationed in Germany and over 50,000 in Japan. We haven't been at war with these countries for decades, yet we still deem it necessary to have a presence there.

Despite our perceived "good guy" image, history has shown that many of our interventions into foreign conflicts haven't always been in the best interests of the native people. Take Iraq as a recent example. We intervened because the Bush administration believed Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction, and his power caused instability in the region. We were also told by the Bush administration that Hussein was a tyrant whose oppressive and violent rule over his own people must be put to an end. To many U.S. politicians at the time, our intervention was necessary and wouldn't take more than 18 months.

Eight years and hundreds of billions of dollars later, the United States and the Iraqi people are no better off than they were before our invasion.

Now this is not to say that our possible intervention in Syria will be as complicated as the one in Iraq or Afghanistan. However, it does show that the U.S. often gets involved into complicated foreign conflicts that have unforeseen consequences. These consequences are sometimes the polar opposite of what we intended to accomplish in the region.

There is no doubt that the situation in Syria needs attention from the

U.S. as well as the international community. According to the U.N., over 100,000 people have lost their lives, many of whom are civilians caught up in a heated battle between rebels and the government. According to remarks by President Obama, using chemical weapons is a "red line" that must never be crossed. The problem is that there are conflicting reports as to who is the perpetrator in these attacks. The government is arguing that the rebels are responsible, and rebels are blaming the government.

It is also interesting that the Obama administration has chosen chemical weapons attacks as its "red line" when there have been almost 5,000 killed every month since the conflict began. Why is it all of the sudden our moral obligation to intervene when chemical weapons may have been used, but not our problem when conventional war tactics are used to murder thousands.

The U.S. needs to take a supporting role in responding to this conflict rather than a leading role. We must map out all possible consequences of any intervention in Syria- military and humanitarian before any decision is made. The American people are not ready for another futile battle in the Middle East.

Students miss point of university degree

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A recent study in the Wall Street Journal revealed a high percentage of college graduates felt their college degree was unsuccessful in "training" them for their chosen career. The theme of the article was one of pessimism toward those who are in college. It seemed to be saying that degrees are becoming undesirable in the job market because of the lack of industry-specific training.

The article's tone did not sit well with me. I may be in the minority, but I have never entertained the idea that my college degree would be nothing more than a job-training seminar.

Furthermore, those who would entertain that idea may be missing the entire purpose of a four-year university degree.

If you watch late-night television enough, you are bound to see a commercial for any of the thousands of for-profit "colleges" that are in the business of getting your degree in "no time."

A common selling point to prospective customers goes something like this:

"Our university can get you the tools you need to find a job you want quickly. Online classes are available to fit your busy schedule."

These are not pitches made by accredited Universities; they are selling points to masses of people who, for whatever reason, missed the opportunity to go to college before getting stuck in an abysmal job market.

The draw of these businesses, and they are businesses, is the possibility of a better life with minimal stress on a busy family and professional life. However, there are many things that the institutions fail to specify when hopeful students pull out their checkbooks.

A lack of accreditation is a plague upon many of these institutions. Students are not told that their degree will be coming from an unrecognized institution with no ties to higher education. It is important to note that my critique does not include technical or vocational schools.

Prospective students are often oblivious to the fact that there is a substantial difference between the accelerated course work of technical school and that of a university degree. A university does provide a service. That service should be clear to every faculty member and student.

Attendance at a university provides a community, be it local, national, or international, with well-rounded, intelligent, well-spoken and rational citizens. Much of the growth I have experienced as a rational animal in my first three years at university will be invaluable as I crash into the "real world."

I acknowledge that some are unable or unwilling, due to personal circumstances, to attend an institute of higher learning. Still, I plead for my college experience not be dissected by big businesses that stand without the merit to train their own new employees.

Student Senate plans for successful year through expansion and new programs

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With the new year beginning, there are a lot of great things going on around campus and within different organizations across the University.

Members of Student Senate have been working all summer to prepare for the 2013-2014 academic year. We have begun to overhaul how Student Senate operates in an attempt to ensure that we are serving our constituents. Our primary goals this year include ensuring representation to many underrepresented constituents across the University and creating a more efficient way to track and adjudicate organizations.

We are hoping to extend the number of senators to include a representative for international students as well as a multicultural representative. Both positions would be filled through their related office and hold the same powers as a senator. We are also in the process of outlining our adjudication process of organizations. In the past, we had no solid plan when it came to enforcing University policy. In the next few weeks, we will roll out a new bylaw that puts these proce-

dures into place.

We also unveiled a new logo for our organization over the summer. With the help of Cameron Ramaekers, Hudson-Perrin assistant complex director, we designed and created a logo that highlights a mainstay on campus, the Bell Tower. We felt that a new logo would better represent and tie Student Senate to the University.

Student Senate has also been fortunate enough to take part in the new pilot program for Windows tablets that may take the place of our laptop program.

We are all excited for this academic year to get into full swing. We will have freshman elections coming up toward the end of semester where we will fill out the rest of the Senate, and we have a number of events lined up for the students over the course of the semester.

Student Senate meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the J.W. Jones Student Union Boardroom. Our meetings are open to the public, and anyone can come share their thoughts. You can visit our web page under the Campus Life tab on the Northwest home page, "Like" us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter.

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MARCH TO THE BELL TOWER



CODY SIMMONS | NW MISSOURIAN

The freshman class of 2017 began a new tradition Aug. 25 following Convocation, the march to the Bell Tower. The new Bearcats made waves with their end to Advantage Week and the start of classes Monday.

DINING

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the all-access plan, meaning students can visit the dining hall and eat as much as they want, whenever they want. This plan costs \$1,597 per semester.

The Gold Plan costs \$1,747 per semester and offers unlimited meals seven days-a-week, five guest meal passes and 150 resident dollars. These resident dollars may be used in the franchise stores. Finally, the Platinum Plan, \$1,897 per semester offers unlimited meals seven day-a-week, eight guest meal passes and 300 resident dollars.

“We tried to create meal plans that would meet (students) where they’re at,” said Baker.

Students can choose all-you-can-eat fresh foods, including Tex-Mex, Mediterranean, Mongolian, an all-American grill, and home-style food, among others. To ensure a wide variety of meal options, Bearcat

Commons will offer a different meal every day and won’t repeat a meal in a four-week period.

The business hours for the Bearcat Commons are from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. seven days a week.

Campus dining has also incorporated several franchises, including Starbucks in the B.D. Owens Library, as well as Chick-fil-A, Einstein Bros. Bagels and Red Mango, all on the second floor of the Student Union.

The Station has also been renovated, featuring Papa John’s with on-campus delivery and an updated convenience market, which is full of grab-and-go items.

To monitor the buffet-style food court, no student is allowed into the dining hall without having paid, and no food is allowed to leave the dining hall without a plastic food container, which each student can purchase at the beginning of the school year.

The Division of Student Affairs started the 18-month project in January 2012. On May 6, J.E. Dunn Construction Group began renovating the Student Union.

COURTS

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After the suicide, Maryville residents were upset and wanted action to be taken to improve courtroom and community safety, according to White. Unfortunately, in the few weeks since the incident, interest in security expansion has been fleeting.

“Nobody really seems to be interested anymore,” White said. “What I have done is contacted the United States Marshall Service and requested that they come here and do a security assessment of the buildings along with their recommendations.”

Though community interest has minimized, all present in the courtroom will not soon forget the act they witnessed.

“The unfortunate part is that he chose to do it in the courtroom in front of everybody,” White said. “He certainly got his 15 minutes of fame.”

Safe Rides adds shuttle service around Maryville

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Northwest unveiled its new Safe Ride Shuttle, the latest addition to the program Aug. 23. As students stepped on the bus, they were greeted by a Safe Ride Ambassador and invited to ride the 13-seat shuttle bus anywhere... from 16th Street to Wal-Mart.

Student Regent Ashton Raffety was one of the inaugural members of the Safe Ride Shuttle bus ride.

“I was at a conference in St. Joe with all the other student board members in the state,” Raffety said. “A lot of them were talking about how they had shuttle programs that brought students around, and I thought that was a great idea.”

He brought that idea to Clarence Green, University Police chief, in the fall of 2012. The Shuttle was made possible by a contribution of \$10,000

from the Northwest Student Senate, as well as a grant award from the Gladys Rickard Charitable Trust for \$20,800.

The Safe Ride Home program’s shuttle bus system will give more students the opportunity to have safe transportation around campus and around the Maryville area while accommodating the high volume of ride requests that Safe Ride receives every weekend. Last year alone, Safe Ride vans completed 8,000 student transports, and on average, each van traveled more than 100 miles per night.

Safe Ride drivers are on the streets of Maryville every Wednesday through Saturday night. The Safe Ride Shuttle will operate on Friday nights while school is in session, transporting students between 4 p.m. and 2 a.m.

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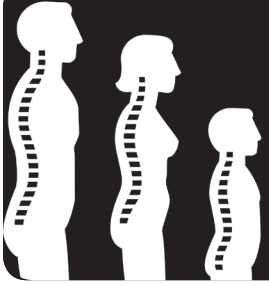


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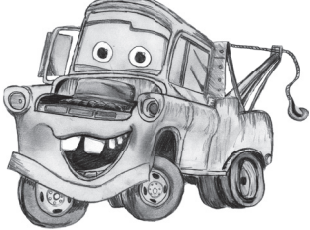
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Blotter from Maryville Public Safety Department

August 22
Margaret M. Mace, 20, of Jefferson City was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

Henry M. Grant, 19 of Maryville, was charged with minor in possession at 100 block of South Buchanan.

Sydnie M. Adler, 19, of Smithville, was charged with minor in possession at the 100 block of South Buchanan.

Property was recovered at the 1600 block of North Grand Avenue

Charles W. Randles, 19, of Maryville was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of West Third Street.

Lauren N. Foley, 20, of Maryville was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

August 23
Haley P. Feigenbutz, 19, of Maryville was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Brett L. Siendeneck, 19, of Pleasan Hill was charged with minor in possession and profanity in public at the 300 block of South Main Street.

There is an ongoing investigation of assault with a knife at the 700 block of North Buchanan.

Jamie L. Stadler, 20, of Humbolt, Neb., was charged

with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Melissa R. Mischo, 20, of Maryville, was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market street.

August 24
Taylor M. Kyleisha, 19, of Maryville was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Lacie D. Perengring, 19, of Tarkio, was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

William B. Twaddle, 21, of Maryville, was charged with supplying alcohol to a minor at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Tyler V. Peve, 20, of Maryville, was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Austin D. Feighert, 19, of Maryville, was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Robert W. Jackson, 26, of Maryville, was issued a warrant for failure to appear in court at the 400 block of North Market Street.

August 25
Dylan M. Huer, 19, of Kansas City, Mo. was charged with minor in possession and a fireworks violation at the 500 block of West 9th Street.

Christopher D. Rollings, 23,

of Maryville, was charged with assault on a public safety officer and failure to comply at the 300 block of North Market Street.

August 26
An electrical fire was reported at the 500 block of East Fifth Street.

Property was recovered at the 700 block of South Dunn Street.

There is an ongoing investigation of fraud at the 300 block North Main Street.

An accident occurred between Lisa S. Woodard, 42, of Maryville and Heidi J. Komorech, 32, of Maryville at North Mulberry and West 11th Street. Woodard was issued a citation for failure to yield.

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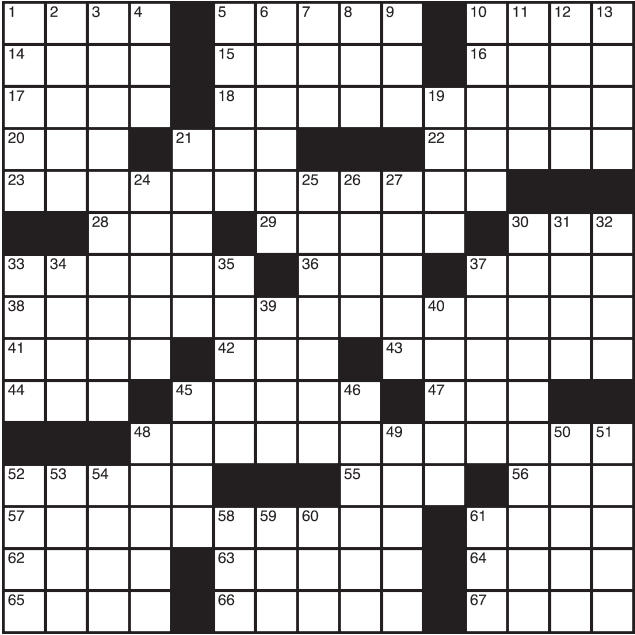
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- Across
- 1 Phi __ Kappa
 - 5 Legislative addendum
 - 10 Future atty.'s exam
 - 14 Security problem
 - 15 Greek marketplace
 - 16 Opposite of dry, as skin
 - 17 Radius neighbor
 - 18 Longtime UCLA coach known as the "Wizard of Westwood"
 - 20 Caught __-handed
 - 21 Used a stool
 - 22 Family reunion attendee
 - 23 Cracks a little joke to ease tension, say
 - 28 6, on a cellphone button
 - 29 Theater walkway
 - 30 Blot gently
 - 33 Picasso's movement
 - 36 Chicago-to-Atlanta dir.
 - 37 Volcanic overflow
 - 38 One no longer in his comfort zone
 - 41 Pig in a __
 - 42 Baja bear
 - 43 Hitting sound
 - 44 Mao __-tung
 - 45 Attorney general's

- intern
- 47 __ Kippur
 - 48 Command sequence before shooting
 - 52 Bald tire's lack
 - 55 Suffix with salt
 - 56 Henpeck
 - 57 Once-in-a-lifetime agenda, or an apt description of the ends of 18-, 23-, 38- and 48-Across
 - 61 Half of table tennis?
 - 62 Burn balm
 - 63 "Yes __!"
 - 64 Avid about
 - 65 Tear to shreds
 - 66 Oyster bead
 - 67 Self-perceptions

- Down
- 1 DVD case promo
 - 2 Fisherman who supplies a sushi bar
 - 3 Two-wheeler for two
 - 4 Wanted-poster abbr.
 - 5 Indian princes
 - 6 "__ run!": "Time for me to leave!"
 - 7 Play-__: kids' clay
 - 8 Marine eagle
 - 9 Not cooked
 - 10 Sarge's superior
 - 11 Pro or con, in a debate



- 12 Guinness of "Star Wars"
- 13 Actress Daly
- 19 "__ upon a midnight dreary ..."
- 21 Wee bit
- 24 Ouzo flavoring
- 25 American or World follower, in school
- 26 Bygone gas station
- 27 "__ my heart in ..."
- 30 Pattern-seeking information analysis
- 31 With, to François
- 32 "Speak" response
- 33 Ahab or America: Abbr.
- 34 Space saucers, briefly
- 35 Money, in slang
- 37 __ diminishing returns

- 39 Not new
- 40 "Pick someone else, pleease?"
- 45 Hand over
- 46 Old German leader
- 48 Collected, as downed leaves
- 49 Chip-making giant
- 50 Greeted with enthusiasm
- 51 Toaster waffles
- 52 Skier's transport
- 53 Guideline
- 54 Business maj.'s focus
- 58 Sugar meas.
- 59 Fib
- 60 Keogh plan relative: Abbr.
- 61 Apple dessert

▶ HOROSCOPES

Nancy Black
MCT Campus

Today's Birthday (08/29/13). Fun and enthusiasm at work and with friends keeps your year hopping. Social media and communications thrive, as does taking on community leadership. You have the gift of persuasion this year. Bring in the harvest, and store it well. Check facts before important decisions. Partnerships sparkle with loving attention.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 6 -- There's a possible misunderstanding. There's a ton to learn from the process; it could even be fun. Do all the pieces fit? Get help from an older person. Love is in the air, and it's contagious!

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Shower the people you love with love. There's plenty of money to be made right now, but don't forget that your relationships are more important than your balance sheet. Find your way.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Provide facts after thoroughly reviewing the data. Think first. Don't dive into water that's over your head before learning how to swim. Don't be afraid to push your limits, either. You're getting stronger.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 5 -- Friendship is more valuable than money, so treasure it. Spend frivolously when it comes to affection, but not with cash. Social contacts prove valuable in many ways. Share a tender moment.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Kindness and generosity take you a long way. You're surrounded by love of friends and family, even if you're blind to it. Ask for a referral from someone who knows. Explore dream images in conversation or writing.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today

is a 6 -- You're in charge and in control. Use your power wisely and direct your career in the direction that fulfills you the most. Add a little tenderness for better results. Waste not, want not.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Continue your adventure, and sail down the river of love. The water temperature is perfect for romance. Try something new, something you've never tried before. Replenish your reserves.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 6 -- You can accomplish more close to home, especially when you're doing it for love. Play with friends and invent new plans together. Save every penny for what's important. Build your funds together.

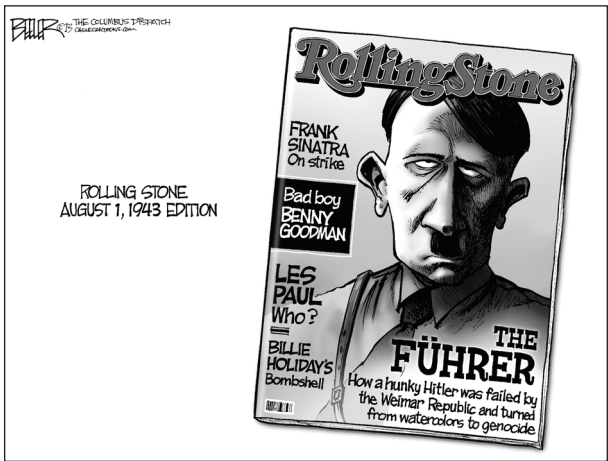
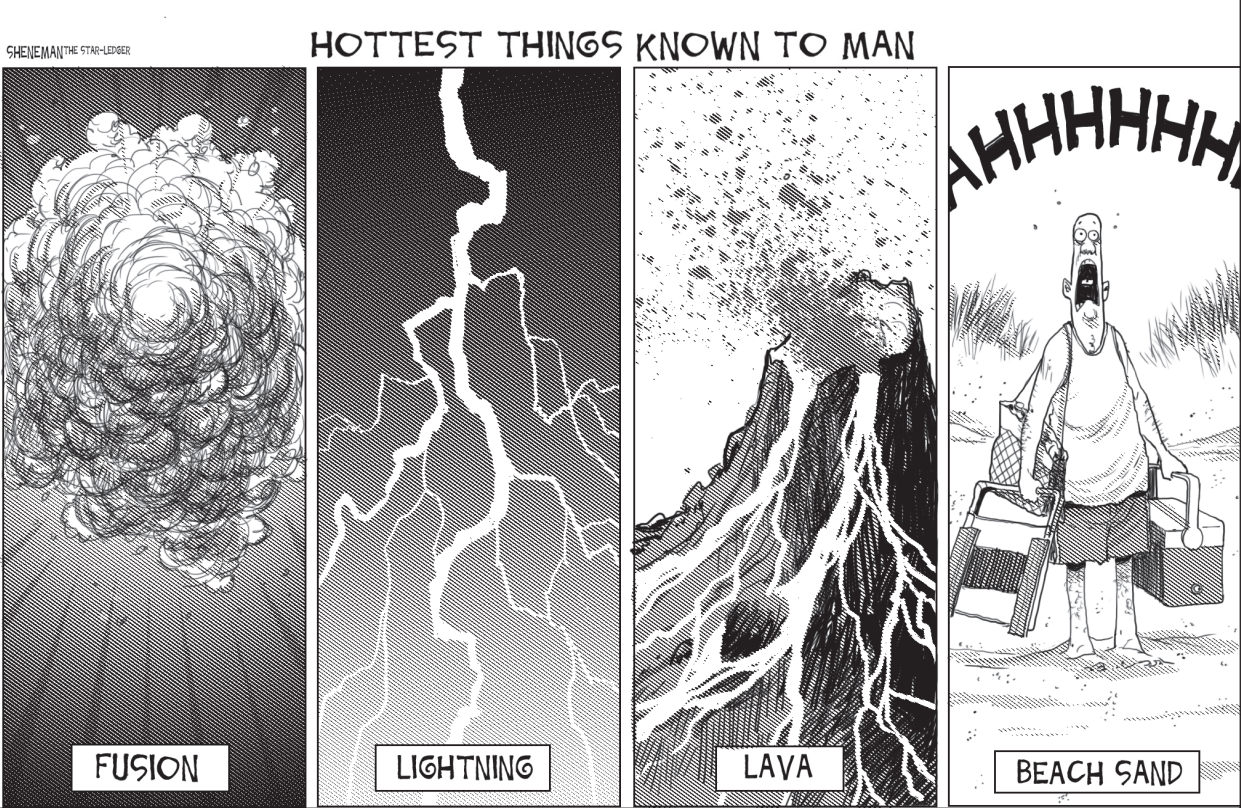
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Everything is easier when you're together. Support each other on your strengths, and continue to increase your output. It's easy to get sidetracked. When you do, just remind each other of your goals.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Don't take financial risks, yet. Go ahead and explore new opportunities in romance. It's never too early to start planning your next vacation. Check out an interesting suggestion. Read a book about your destination to get in the mood.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 6 -- There's more work coming in. There's more time for love. You'll soon have time to relax. Invest in your future, but don't dip too far into savings. Find valuables in your own home. Glamour works now.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 5 -- What you have is more than enough. Clearing up your home of clutter is extremely rewarding and liberating. You may get stuck, but all ends well. Friends offer good advice.

▶ COMICS



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COMMONS

Bearcats were welcomed to the 2013-2014 school year with a brand new campus dining hall, Bearcat Commons. The J.W. Jones Student Union recently unveiled its updated all-you-can-eat food court earlier this month. The University has introduced new meal plans, healthier options and extended hours so students can dine on their time. From Mediterranean to American and everything in between, the all-new Bearcat Commons is sure to cater to your cravings.

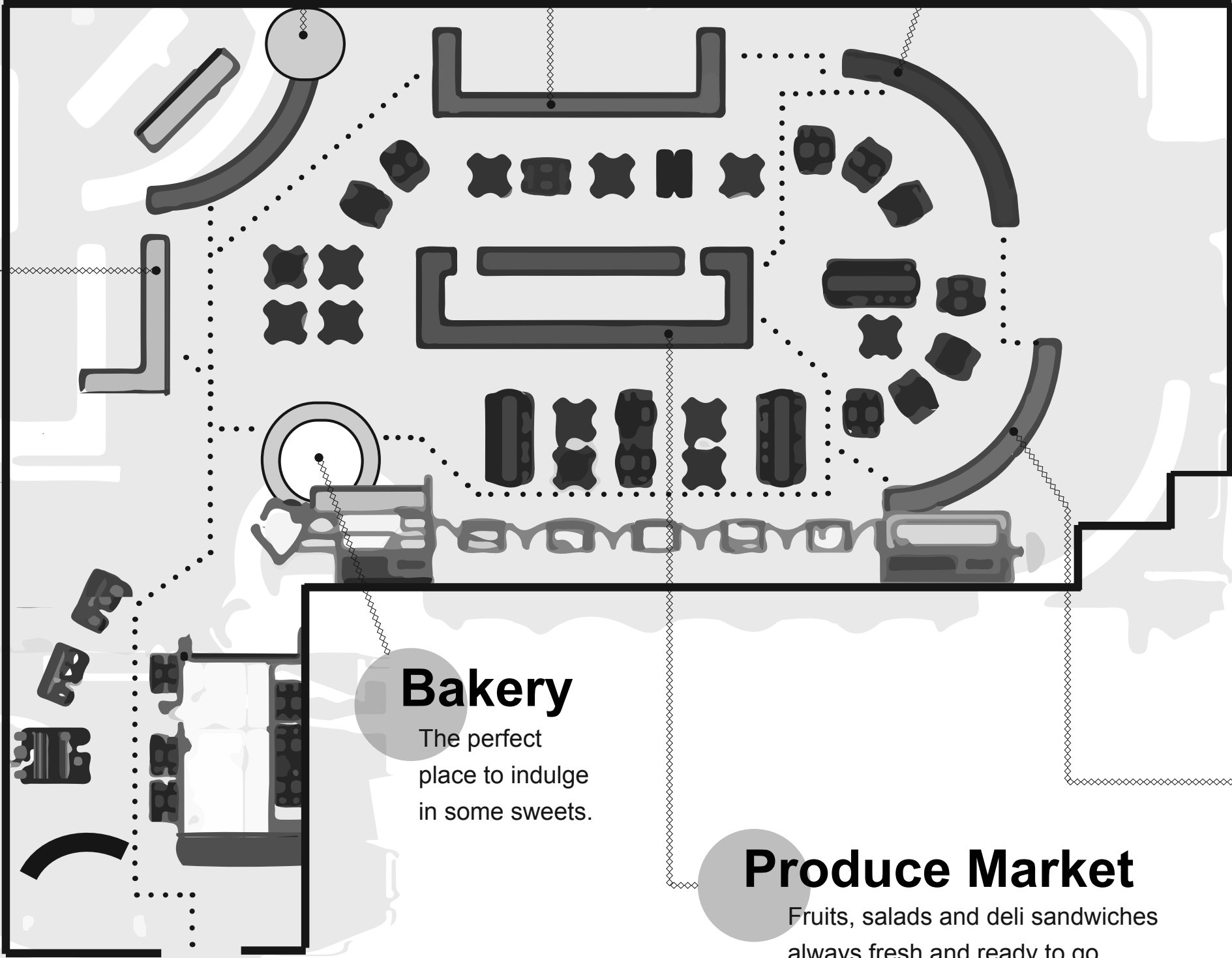
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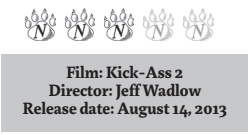


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“Kick Ass 2” bursts onto the silver screen straight from the pages of Mark Miller’s famously unique comic in a hilariously violent mess of sloppy teen fantasy. This film may be a comic book movie, but throw all your Christopher Nolan-ish ideas of comic movies out the window. There is no hard-jawed hero with superpowers and crazy technology; this lot is just a bunch of dorky kids with nothing better to do. “Kick Ass 2” picks up with our hero, Dave, a.k.a. Kick-Ass, played by Aaron Taylor Johnson (“Savages”), who is looking to get back into the superhero game with the help of foul-mouthed, 15-year-old Mindy, a.k.a. Hit-Girl, played by Chloë Grace Moretz (“Hugo”). But when Mindy’s adoptive

father forces her to hang up the cape, Kick-Ass looks for a new team of superheroes and finds Justice Forever, a wannabe superhero league led by ex-mob enforcer Colonel Stars and Stripes played, by Jim Carrey (“Ace Venutra”). The team quickly finds itself in over its head when Kick-Ass’s rival, Red-Mist, reborn as The Motherfucker, played by Christopher Mintz-Plasse (“Superbad”), puts together his own supervillain team hell-bent on seeing Kick-Ass’s head on a pike. The plot isn’t as predictable as it sounds. It might fall into some of the same plot lines we have seen before, but there are some “oh my God, they went there” moments that will leave your jaw on the floor. This movie never once holds back. In one scene, viewers get hilariously awkward teenagers Dave and Mindy trying to navigate

the world of high school and in the next the duo finds themselves dismembering gang bangers on the streets. Johnson is once again the perfect fit for Kick-Ass, and Jim Carrey is great as an enthusiastically brutal crime fighter, but Moretz once again steals the show as Hit-Girl. She has a mouth that could make a Tarantino fan blush and can kick more ass than any 15-year-old should be able to. Is this a uniquely, brilliant movie that will be remembered for generations? No. This movie is simply a mindless thrill ride that will keep viewers in a weird place between laughter and fear throughout the whole film.



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(PG-13) “The Great Gatsby;” Leonardo DiCaprio, Carey Mulligan, Tobey Maguire 8/27

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(ABC) Revenge 8 p.m. Sept. 29	(NBC) The Voice 7 p.m. Sept. 23	(NBC) Chicago Fire 9 p.m. Sept 24	(NBC) Revolution 7 p.m. Sept. 25	(NBC) Parks and Recreation 7 p.m. Sept. 26	
(AMC) The Walking Dead 8 p.m. Oct. 13	(CBS) How I Met Your Mother 7 p.m. Sept. 23		(NBC) Law & Order: SVU 8 p.m. Sept. 25	(ABC) Grey’s Anatomy 8 p.m. Sept. 26	
	(CW) Hart of Dixie 7 p.m. Oct. 7		(ABC) Modern Family 8 p.m. Sept. 25	(FOX) Glee 8 p.m. Sept. 26	
			(ABC) Nashville 9 p.m. Sept. 25	(ABC) Scandal 9 p.m. Oct. 3	
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Sophomore quarterback Brady Bolles runs off the edge of his blocker in preperation for Meet the Bearcats Night today.

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senior Trent Nally will take over full-time at quarterback. Nally seized a First-Team All-State selection last year at safety. Webb said Nally will continue to play both ways and man the defensive

backfield alongside McMahon, as well as run Maryville's wing-T pistol offense. McMahon lost his second-best blocker to graduation, 2012 First-Team All-State offensive lineman Shane Owens, and will run behind a slightly smaller siege this year. "We're younger; we're not as big," McMahon said. "(Last year's) line is gonna be hard to beat, but we'll be al-

right ... We put a few more things in, but we've got good coaches, and they know what they're doing." Webb said his team has all facets of the game honed in as the home opener crawls closer. "Anything as far as a success when you look at it, I don't care what the score is, we wanna win," Webb said. "Friday night I wanna come out and start 1-0."

CHANCE
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and getting my GPA back up because I know the first thing was getting my GPA back up then second was working out." On the field, the coaching staff has seen what made Enyard a defensive force as a freshman two years ago. "I think he has a lot of God-given ability," head coach Adam Dorrel said. "I've always thought he is one of the most naturally talented kids we've ever had. He just needs to channel it and put it all together: academics, football and focus." Enyard's primary position was at cornerback, but after the graduation of the two starting safeties from last season and the emergence of the Dixon twins at the corners, Enyard will get playing time at safety and at corner. "When you're a safety, you gotta be more vocal out there," Enyard said. "You gotta see the offensive formations and making different checks. When you're playing corner, you're al-

ready in position, and you listen to the safeties for checks." Being a student-athlete isn't easy. A day full of classes, meetings and practice can weigh on a 20-year-old. The coaching staff keeps an eye on players in the hope that they will not lose focus. "We do everything from watching classes, making sure they are going to class...that's the number one thing that we face with kids," defensive co-ordinator Rich Wright said. "We have a checks and balances system. We also get progress, specifically at-risk kids, which Bryce is currently tagged in right now. We are starting to get to the point in his career that he has to understand the value of his education." Every player has made mistakes on and off the field, but a year older and a year more mature has Enyard set up for what could be a monster season. "He's just growing up," Wright said. "He's made some mistakes like a lot of young kids do. I think he really knows and understands the opportunity that he has, as a student and college football player. I think he is relishing this opportunity."

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department since Tjeerdsma took over his new role. "I don't think we've made a lot of changes," Tjeerdsma said. "I was good friends with (former athletic director) Wren Baker, and I thought he did an outstanding job. I've been able to observe firsthand how this program is ran. I'm one that leads by giving people responsibility. I'm not a micromanager."

Head football coaches are products of routine: film, practice, film and repeat. But in his new position, Tjeerdsma has to be flexible to fulfill all of his duties. "The biggest change for me is that instead of focusing on one sport, I've got 14 different sports to focus on," Tjeerdsma said. "I think that from a standpoint of daily routine it's different. For 44 years I was a football coach, so the routine I had was pretty much established. There's more meetings, and I have to be very much aware of what is going on in the rest of the campus."

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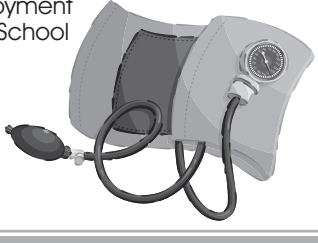
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MIAA STANDINGS

	Overall	MIAA
Central Mo.....	0-0	0-0
Emporia State.....	0-0	0-0
Mo. Western.....	0-0	0-0
Mo. Southern.....	0-0	0-0
Washburn.....	0-0	0-0
Southwest Baptist.....	0-0	0-0
Pitt. State.....	0-0	0-0
Fort Hays.....	0-0	0-0
NORTHWEST.....	0-0	0-0
Truman.....	0-0	0-0
Lincoln (Mo.).....	0-0	0-0

September 5:
Saginaw Valley at NORTHWEST
Washburn at Nebraska Kearney
Mo. Western at Central Mo.
Central Okla. at Mo. Southern
Fort Hays at Emporia St.

NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA STANDINGS

	Overall	MIAA
Emporia St.....	0-0	0-0
Pitt. State.....	0-0	0-0
Mo. Western.....	0-0	0-0
Fort Hays.....	0-0	0-0
Mo. Southern.....	0-0	0-0
Washburn.....	0-0	0-0
Southwest Baptist.....	0-0	0-0
Lincoln (Mo.).....	0-0	0-0
NORTHWEST.....	0-0	0-0
Truman.....	0-0	0-0
Central Mo.....	0-0	0-0

September 6:
Minn. St.-Moorehead vs NORTHWEST
Quincy vs Mo. Southern
Winona St. vs NORTHWEST
Fort Hays vs BYU-HAWAII
Cedarville vs Washburn

MHS FOOTBALL

MEC STANDINGS

	Overall	MEC
Lafayette.....	0-0	0-0
LeBlond.....	0-0	0-0
MARYVILLE.....	0-0	0-0
Savannah.....	0-0	0-0
Smithville.....	0-0	0-0
Benton.....	0-0	0-0
Cameron.....	0-0	0-0
Chillicothe.....	0-0	0-0

August 30:
Lawson at Maryville
Chillicothe at Marshall
Pembroke Hill at Cameron
Grain Valley at Savannah
Benton at Ozark
Pleasant Hill at Smithville

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MEC STANDINGS

	Overall	MEC
Lafayette.....	0-0	0-0
Cameron.....	0-0	0-0
Benton.....	0-0	0-0
LeBlond.....	0-0	0-0
Savannah.....	0-0	0-0
Smithville.....	0-0	0-0
Chillicothe.....	0-0	0-0
MARYVILLE.....	0-0	0-0

August 30:
Maryville at Barstow Tournament
Benton at Central
Chillicothe at Kirksville
September 4:
Maryville at Benton
Savannah at Cameron

New face takes over girls program

Maryville native takes her swing as the head coach of her alma mater.



Leslie Schulte

Hometown
Maryville

Name
Leslie Schulte

Position
Maryville Head Softball Coach

College
Benedictine College (Atchison, Kan.)

Softball Experience
Played one season at Benedictine before suffering a career-ending knee injury.

Coaching Experience
Assistant at Maryville in early 2000s under Kathy Blackney before taking time off to have a family.

Favorite College Softball Experience
Beating William-Jewell for Benedictine’s first conference win in several seasons while playing in below-freezing weather.

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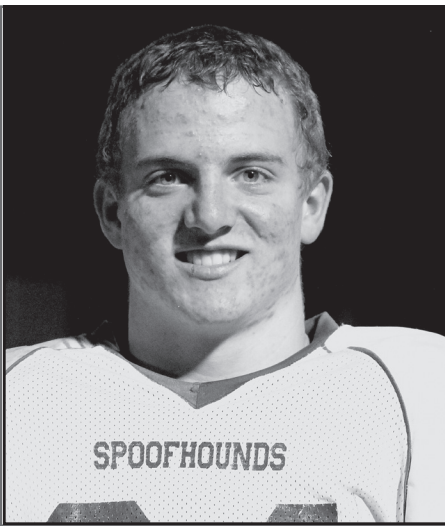
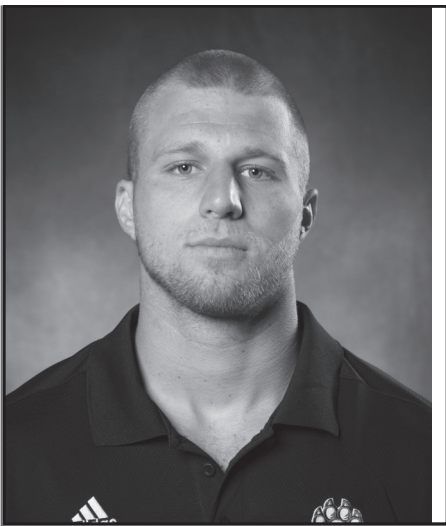


D.J. Gnader

Brooke Bartosh

Brody McMahon

Ashton Reuter



Junior linebacker D.J. Gnader will look to continue his ascension as one of the top defensive players in the MIAA as the Northwest Missourian player to watch this season.

As one of Northwest’s more consistent players in 2012, Brooke Bartosh earned a spot on the All-MIAA Third Team. Bartosh averaged a team-high 3.06 kills per set last season.

Junior running back Brody McMahon set the pace in most of Maryville’s 15 wins last year, and should excel further in 2013 as head coach Matt Webb’s lone feature back.

As just one of the Spoofhounds’ four upperclassmen on this year’s softball team, junior infielder Ashton Reuter’s teammates will lean heavily on her with her experience.

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Incoming student-athlete begins journey on campus

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The commencement of a student-athlete's college career is a life-altering and game-changing event. Being an athlete at the collegiate level is an honor, but it comes with its own set of challenges.

Life can be stressful for any college student, and for freshman Zach Schneider, it's the little things that have been rewarding.

"It's been pretty good the last couple days," Schneider said. "I finally got all of the basic stuff figured out. I haven't lost anything or left my keys anywhere or got locked out of any buildings yet, so that's good."

Schneider, a 6 foot 7 inch guard/forward from Shawnee Mission, Kan., tailored himself to a more frenzied lifestyle over the summer through workout programs assigned by head coach Ben McCollum.

"I came up at the beginning of the summer and worked out with (trainer) Joe Quinlan one time and got the whole lifting and running packet and brought that back home, so that's what I did most of the summer," Schneider said. "It's a little more hectic, but I definitely like it that way."

The transition from high school can be steep. Schedules become chaotic, balancing class and studies with practice and traveling, often killing any spare time a young adult is accustomed to.

"It's obviously a step up from high school," Schneider said. "Mostly the weightlifting and running and playing pickup ball all in one day is a step up from my high school. I guess you can say we spread it out a little more. And balancing it with the heavier class load makes a difference as well, but I think we're finally there, so I'm ready to get started."

For Schneider, the life of an incoming student-athlete brings an alluring pace. "The schedule is a little different than it was back home; that's taken a little bit to get adjusted to," Schneider said. "There's not as much free time as there was, but I kind of like the grind, so I'm looking forward to the rest of the year. I like having a specific schedule and having places to be all the time. It keeps me busy and keeps me more productive. You can definitely say I like it better."

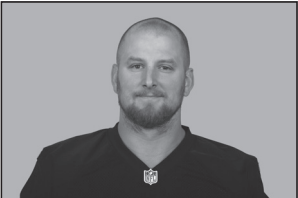
And as for the upperclassmen giving the freshmen a hard time? That stone hasn't been turned for Schneider and the two recruits who joined him. "We haven't gotten anything yet... maybe once the season starts," Schneider said. "All the upperclassmen are great guys. I'm really looking forward to playing with them."



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Freshman guard/forward Zach Schneider practices some technique in Martindale Gym is adjusting to his first semester of college while preparing for his first season on the Northwest men's basketball team.

Super Bowl champ gives breakdown of football team, hitting quarterbacks with Missourian



Dave Tollefson

CHRIS SCHOONOVER

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Former Bearcat All-American and two-time Super Bowl champion Dave Tollefson stopped by the first Northwest intrasquad scrimmage to check out his former team before the season kicks off. Northwest Missourian sports editor Chris Schoonover caught up with the veteran defensive end after the scrimmage's final whistle.

Chris Schoonover: What kind of stuff did you see from an outsider's perspective that you liked while watching the scrimmage?

Dave Tollefson: It's never really an outsider's perspective. Football is in my DNA, and I'm always watching for stuff. The offense looked good, and I think the guys had to get used to the tempo of it. There's some stuff that they can coach up and get better, and that's what you want. You want stuff you can see and make guys better at. I would have been up to taking down a quarterback or two. I was known to do that and got yelled at a couple of times for it.

CS: Who really impressed you out there from the d-line point of view, which is your expertise?

DT: I think Brandon Yost is doing a really good job, and Ricky (Bailey) did well. I have a really good connection with Ricky because I met him when he was younger, and we have a good relationship as far as a coach

and player and what advice I can give him. DJ (Gnader) looked good and so did Brian Dixon. I really wanted to see Brandon (Dixon) play, but he was being a little wuss and not playing because of a shoulder boo-boo. All jokes aside, they looked good. When you get a chance like this to tackle people, it's like taking a dog off a leash. I was telling Coach (Rich) Wright that I felt bad for some of the stuff I did to people.

CS: How much contact do you still have with the coaches and people in the organization?

DT: I talk to all of them at least once a month. Coach Wright- once a week, Coach (Mel) Tjeerdsma- once a week. Dorrel and I talk quite a bit. Once you've got that Bearcat in you, you can't get it out. It's changed my life, so I like to keep in contact as much as I can.

CS: Although you're busy during the winter most of the time, how

much do you keep up with the team?

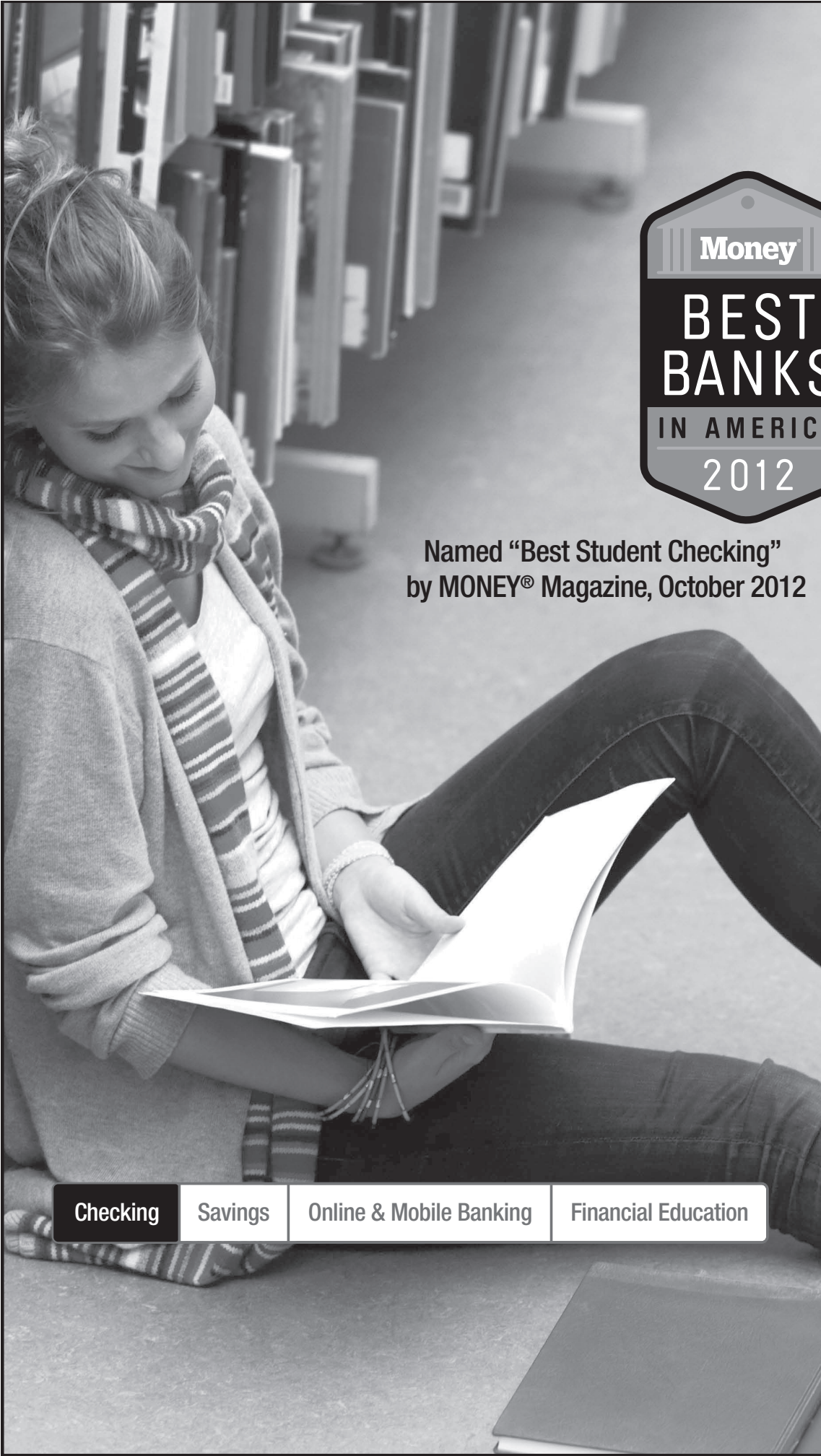
DT: My wife hates that I have the computer hooked up to the TV, and I'm watching games and stuff and listening online as much as I can. I've listened to (John) Coffey ever since I left here. You can't shake it, man. It's like an illness. Once you get it, you got "Bearcatitis."

CS: You won a lot of games here and, obviously, a lot with the Giants. Is it something that was instilled in you here that carried on to the next level?

DT: As hard as the connection could seem to some people, the way the Giants run their organization is very similar to how the Bearcats run theirs. It's family oriented, and the Maras own it and were raised in the program in New York. It's like what Mel (Tjeerdsma) instituted here. Wins come from that...in every level. When guys play for each other, then you get wins from that.

CS: When you watched Northwest last season and saw the secondary lock up receivers, did you ever wonder what it would have been like playing on the line for them and having all the time to rush the quarterback?

DT: I was just talking to the Dixon brothers about that. It's a pretty well-known fact that the d-line and d-backs are tied together on pass plays. The d-line needs to know what they have, which is awesome. If they are not getting sacks, the (defensive backs) gotta tell them that they are giving them five or six seconds to rush, and they gotta get there. I was joking with them and told them that I led the league in sacks, and if I would have had them as DBs, I probably would have had 30 sacks.



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Don't call it a COMEBACK



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Sophomore defensive back Bryce Enyard returns to his stomping grounds after a season away from the field due to academic issues. Enyard will start at safety for the No. 4 ranked Bearcats.

Former frosh standout embraces 2nd chance

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Bryce Enyard was not defensive back Bryce Enyard last fall. He was just a student trying to get back in the books to get back on the field to reclaim his position as an elite pass defender.

In 2011 Enyard was the MIAA Freshman of the Year and a second-team All-

MIAA performer in his first season as a Bearcat after recording a team-high six interceptions.

Enyard entered the 2012 season as one of the most promising players in the MIAA but was deemed academically ineligible.

Without him, the Northwest secondary flourished, picking off a Division II high 28 passes.

"It was great seeing that," Enyard said.

"Coach (Rich Wright) did a good job of keeping them up and made them play ball out there."

Enyard transferred to a junior college and brought his GPA up to eligibility standards.

Sometimes it takes something as serious as being dismissed from a team to prioritize what is important, and Enyard understands the importance of academics

because you cannot have one without the other.

"It's no joke around here," Enyard said. "You have to take your academics seriously. You're a student first and an athlete second, and I finally realized that."

"I've been getting back into the books

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Spoofhounds launch repeat bid Friday night

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The Maryville football team concluded its celebrations and put the confetti away just two days after torching its way through 2012 to its third state championship in school history.

Head coach Matt Webb put the gift of a state title in the back of his mind faster than an 8-year-old stashes his ugly Christmas sweater in the far reaches of his closet.

But he said there is no need for the community to do the same as the Spoofhounds open the 2013 season Friday against Lawson.

"I think Friday night is a great opportunity for this community to come out and support our local high school football team, which they've done immensely," Webb said. "This is the start of the 2013 season, and this community is very proud of the 2012 season and the state championship, but I think everybody's really excited to see what the 2013 season is all about."

At 7 p.m. Friday night, junior running back Brody McMahon and

his teammates can finally put the tardy title talk to bed - for good. But as he put it, it's a chance for the Spoofhounds to start anew.

"We just need to set the bar," McMahon said. "It's our first game in which we won't be perfect."

To no one's surprise, the ground game will be the focus for Maryville this season, but it is a special chance for McMahon.

Last season, the First-Team All-State all-purpose machine was forced into a timeshare in the backfield with then-senior Derek Stiens. It is now, as McMahon understands, a gleaming shot to make camp as the Spoofhounds' feature back and stake a claim as one of the best backs in the state.

"Coach has been saying I'll get the ball a little more this year, and I'm ready," McMahon said. "It feels great. I'm honored and ready. They moved me to (H-back), where Stiens played last year, so I'm ready."

There is also a new face under center this year, as Webb announced

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Junior running back Brody McMahon squirms through defenders during last year's 35-22 state championship win.

Maryville's 2013 similar to recent Division I team



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It's not easy to compare a high school football team to a recent Division I national champion, so stick with me on this one, and we might come to a fairly sensible conclusion.

In a lot of roundabout ways, this year's Maryville Spoofhounds football team is akin to the 2011 Auburn Tigers - fresh off a title season, losing several key players and head coach Matt Webb looks like Gene Chizik (if you squint.)

Let's start with each team's prior season: Auburn dashed to a 12-0 regular season, mollywhopped South Carolina in the SEC Championship and followed it up with a rousing 22-19 national title victory.

Maryville's 2012 season was, in general, quite similar. The Spoofhounds clobbered regular season opponents by an average score of 44.3 to nine before roughhousing their way through the Class 3 bracket into the state title game against John Burroughs High in St. Louis.

Webb's ensemble of talent found a way to take down Gus Frerotte's team 35-22, capping off the moment with a 30+ yard quarterback keeper from senior Jonathan Baker, which brings us to the next comparison.

Baker may not be the perfect high school match to Auburn's Cam Newton - he wasn't 6'6", didn't scramble quite as often and hasn't had to escape the grasp of recruiting violations - but the boot fits. Both signal callers led their teams with strong right arms and innate decision-making, seemingly always putting themselves in positions to make plays.

Auburn never found an effective way to replace Newton, and that's the task Maryville is saddled with this season.

The Tigers also struggled to fill in for 2010 All-American defensive tackle Nick Fairley, who caused a ruckus in offensive backfields throughout his career, as Caleb Mather did last season for the Spoofhounds.

Northwest icon gets underway in new position

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Mel Tjeerdsma

"We are moving right along with that," athletic director Mel Tjeerdsma said. "The Northwest Foundation board had to do a study about what the feasibility was, how

many dollars we think we could raise and what would be the emphasis.

"I think what we've realized throughout this is that we need more than an indoor facility. There are some real needs. I think, personally, that the biggest need right now is a fitness complex for our students. We've got a fitness center downstairs that could accommodate 100 students, but we have 7,000 students on campus."

Five months ago, Tjeerdsma came out of retirement to take over as the athletic director for Northwest after a Hall of Fame career as head coach.

A month later, the University launched a new set of logos that caused a flood of mixed opinions throughout Bearcat Nation, but according to Tjeerdsma, it was not as big of a

deal as some people made it.

"I think it's going to be a long-term thing, and there is always kickback when you have a thing like that happen," Tjeerdsma said. "There were a lot of people that didn't like that we changed 'The Paw' a little bit. To me it was pretty obvious when they put the new ones on the front of Lamkin and they had a picture of a new one next to the old one, and you couldn't tell the difference."

"We are marketing more aggressively with this, and we have an online store now, so I think we will see some positive results."

Besides the updated logo, change has been very minimal throughout the athletics

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